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1. EMBOFF CALLED ON KOCHARYAN OF MFA'S TREATY AND LEGAL DIVISION ON FEB 24 TO CONVEY POINTS IN FIRST REFTEL. EMBOFF POINTED OUT THAT THE PROPOSED MARCH 13 MEETNG WAS IN RESPONSE TO DEPTUY FOREIGN MINISTER KOZYREV'S SUGGESTION TO THE AMBASSADOR (THIRD REF). KOCHARYAN SAID THT HE WOULD PASS ON THE DTAILS ON THE PROPOSED MEETING AND LET US KNOW WHEN THERE WAS A REPLY. TO HIS QUESTION ON WHETHER THIS WOULD BE A HEAD OF DELEGATION MEETING, EMBOFF SAID HE WAS NOT INFORMED.

2. EMBOFF WHEN RAISED THE QUESTION OF THE REPORTED DISAGREEMENT OVER SOVIET-PROPOSED DEFINITIONS ON MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AT THE LAST EVENSEN GROUP MEETING IN GENEVA (FIRST AND SECOND REFS). EMBOFF STRESSED THT
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FOR THE SOVIETS TO HAVE INTRODUCED SUCH TERMS WHEN IT

HAD BEEN MADE CLEAR THAT THE U.S. WOULD HAVE TO OPPOSE THEM WAS NOT A HELPFUL TACTIC. KOCHARYAN EXPRESSED SURPRISE THAT THERE HAD BEEN A PUBLIC DISAGREEMENT SAYING THAT THE REPORT OF THE GENEVA MEETING HE HAD READ MADE NO MENTION OF IT BUT DID MENTION THE USEFUL COOPERATION WHICH THE U.S. AND SOVIET DELEGATIONS ENJOYED. HE EXPRESSED HIS PERSONAL HOPE THAT THE QUESTION AROSE UNINTENTIONALLY OUT OF A MISUNDERSTANDING AND WAS NOT DELIBERATE. HE REITERATED KOZREV'S VIEW ON THE IMPORTANCE OF MAINTINING CLOSE COOPERATION AND CONSULTATIONS ON ALL ASPECTS OF LOS. WHEN EMBOFF SAID THT THE U.S. SIDE SUGGESTED THAT THIS MATTER BE DISCUSSED AT THE MARCH 13 BILATERAL MEETING, KICHARYAN INQUIRED WHETHER "THIS MATTER" MEANT THE TACTICAL QUESTION OF AVOIDING PUBLIC DIFFERENCES OR THE SUBSTANTIVE QUESTION ON DEFINITIONS OF MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH. EMBOFF REPLIED THAT IT PROBABLY MEANT BOTH. STOESSEL

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